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For: NITRIDE SEMICONDUCTOR GROWTH METHOD, NITRIDE SEMICONDUCTOR  
SUBSTRATE, AND NITRIDE SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 19, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 2-4, 6, 8-12, 16, 17, 23, 25, and 189-197 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please enter the following amended claims:

1. (Amended) A nitride semiconductor growth method comprising the steps of:
- (a) forming a first selective growth mask on a support member made up of a dissimilar substrate made of a material different from a nitride semiconductor and having a major surface forming a (11 $\bar{2}$ 0) plane, and an underlayer made of a nitride semiconductor formed on the major surface of the dissimilar substrate, said first selective growth mask having a plurality of first windows selectively exposing an upper surface of the underlayer of the support member; and

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